

City of Miami Beach - Special City Commission Meeting
Commission Chambers, 3rd Floor, City Hall
1700 Convention Center Drive
September 23, 2002

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Mayor David Dermer	Present
Vice-Mayor Richard L. Steinberg	Present
Commissioner Matti Herrera Bower	Present
Commissioner Simon Cruz	Absent
Commissioner Luis R. Garcia, Jr.	Present
Commissioner Saul Gross	Present
Commissioner Jose Smith	Present

City Manager Jorge M. Gonzalez
City Attorney Murray H. Dubbin
City Clerk Robert E. Parcher

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ATTENTION ALL LOBBYISTS

Chapter 2, Article VII, Division 3 of the City Code of Miami Beach entitled "Lobbyists" requires the registration of all lobbyists with the City Clerk prior to engaging in any lobbying activity with the City Commission, any City Board or Committee, or any personnel as defined in the subject Code sections. Copies of the City Code sections on lobbyists laws are available in the City Clerk's office. Questions regarding the provisions of the Ordinance should be directed to the Office of the City Attorney.

Meeting called to order at 5:14:33 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

R7 - Resolutions

5:14:50 p.m.

R7A1 A Resolution Of The Board Of Directors Of The Normandy Shores Local Government Neighborhood Improvement District Adopting The Tentative Ad Valorem Millage Of 1.194 Mills For Fiscal Year 2002/03 For The Normandy Shores Local Government Neighborhood Improvement District, Which Exceeds The "Rolled-Back" Rate Of 0.839 Mills By Forty-Two And Three Tenths Percent (42.3%), Subject To A Second Public Hearing Scheduled On Thursday, September 26, 2002, At 5:01 P.M. **5:01 P.M. First Reading, Public Hearing.**

(Finance Department)

ACTION: Title of the Resolution read into the record. First of two Public Hearings held.

Jerry Libbin, President of the Normandy Shores Homeowners Association, stated that the Association is in full support of this action. He also stated that the Association will probably be coming back shortly requesting to consider eliminating the Ad Valorem taxes for the following year making it less expensive for the City. The Association would like to pursue an alternate source of revenue. It will probably require a vote of the residents and approval by the City Commission acting as the Board of Directors. He stated that the Association would like to consider going to a "per parcel" fee of up to \$500 and eliminate the Ad Valorem tax. The City would remain at the agreed upon 35% contribution.

Mr. Jerry Libbin also requested that when the budget is approved each year that a line-item breakdown of the Normandy Shores Local Government Neighborhood Improvement District budget be provided. He stated that although 95% of the budget is for the guardhouse, the remaining is maintenance money. He requested that the Administration consider carrying over to the next year's budget any unspent maintenance money.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that the Administration should have the data on the itemized budget and could break down the budget figures. He also stated that as it relates to the any unspent money, the Administration will try to make sure the money stays within the district.

Commissioner Garcia asked for a clarification on the internal service (maintenance) money carryover.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that if the overall operating budget is not fully spent, any excess could be put into a fund balance within the account.

Commissioner Gross stated that perhaps the maintenance component could be privatized.

Murray Dubbin, City Attorney, stated that the City Attorney's office is developing an alternate approach to change the District from a "dependent" agency to an "independent" agency pursuant to Florida Statutes.

Mr. Libbin stated his concern is if the District has to go to Miami-Dade County for any approvals.

Commissioner Smith stated that he felt that the whole process has been handled competently and in good faith. He commended the City Attorney's Office, the Administration and Patricia Walker, Chief Financial Officer, for bringing this to the Commission's attention.

Resolution No. 2002-24977 adopted. Motion made by Commissioner Smith; seconded by Commissioner Bower; Voice vote: 6-0; Absent: Commissioner Cruz. R. Parcher to notice Special Commission Meeting and Public hearing. Lilia Cardillo to place on agenda. Patricia Walker to handle.

Handout or reference materials:

1. Notice of Ad in Miami Herald

5:16:16 p.m.

R7A2 A Resolution Of The Board Of Directors Of The Normandy Shores Local Government Neighborhood Improvement District Adopting The Tentative Operating Budget For Fiscal Year 2002/03 Subject To A Second Public Hearing Scheduled On Thursday, September 26, 2002, At 5:01 P.M. **5:01 P.M. First Reading, Public Hearing.**

(Finance Department)

ACTION: Title of the Resolution read into the record. First of two Public Hearings held.

Resolution No. 2002-24978 adopted. Motion made by Commissioner Bower; seconded by Commissioner Smith. Voice vote: 6-0; Absent: Commissioner Cruz. R. Parcher to notice Special Commission Meeting and Public Hearing. Lilia Cardillo to place on agenda. Patricia Walker to handle.

Handout or reference materials:

1. Notice of Ad in Miami Herald

Robert Middaugh, Assistant City Manager, informed the City Commission that on Tuesday, September 24, 2002 at 6:00 p.m. in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall, a meeting will be held and the public is invited. The meeting is regarding traffic calming issues discussed at the GO Bond Oversight Committee in the northern parts of La Gorce neighborhoods: La Gorce Island, La Gorce Park Neighborhoods, the North Bay Road area, south of 62nd street and areas on Alton Road.

Meeting adjourned at 5:24:40 p.m.

End of Regular Agenda